

Marshall Child Development Center

December Newsletter 2002



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*From the
Director.....*

Welcome December!!

Upcoming Events

December 5th= Dollar Store

December 9th= Rehearsal for Holiday Program 9am-10:30am, Morris Auditorium

December 10th= Preschool C Field Trip to Santa's Village, bus arriving 9am

November 7th= CPR Class for Staff

December 11th= Board Meeting 11am

December 12th= Holiday Program 6:15pm, Morris Auditorium

December 13th= Holiday Parties 2:45pm, book exchange

December 16th= Preschool A Field Trip to Santa's Village, bus arriving 9:00am

December 18th= Preschool B Field Trip to Santa's Village, bus arriving 9:00am

December 25th= Center Closed in Observance of Christmas

Coming Up In January:

Speech and Hearing Screening for 3, 4 and 5 year olds

Holiday Program

Our Holiday Program this year will be held on Thursday December 12th at 6:15pm in Morris Auditorium. Refreshments will be served in the lobby following the program. We will be sending out a detailed letter to the parents of the two year olds and up about what is involved in participating. We hope to see everyone there!

Dollar Store

Our dollar store will be held this year on December 5th for our 2 year olds and up. Cost per gift is \$2.00. We will have gifts for males and females as well as for children. Please indicate on your envelope who your child will be purchasing gifts for.

Book Exchange

Every year we celebrate the holidays by having classroom parties and exchanging books. Our parties will be on December 13th at 2:45pm. Please bring a wrapped book at no more than \$5.00 cost for your child to exchange with someone in their room. There will also be sign up sheets for refreshments. We look forward to seeing you!! Happy Holidays!



Hello from Infant A

This time of year little Elves are scurrying all about. Matthew F. and Robert S. are busy at work in the Creeper room. Collin C., Chloe B., and Catherine S. are all warm and cozy in our infant room. Welcome!!

The "Old Timer Elves" will be busy inside this cold holiday season. Jessica crawls around the room investigating while Joshua works out on the pull-up bar, and Maddi does her floor work for tummies and arms.

Ms. Lisa and Mrs. Donna want to wish all our infant room families a safe and joyful holiday season!

Until next year,
Ms. Lisa and Mrs. Donna

Greetings From Infant B Beautiful Babies

Merry Holidays and Happy New Year! This month we will listen to and sing holiday songs. Look at holiday books along with finger plays. So this month will be full of holiday cheer. Thank you to Kevin Clark for installing the cabinets!

Have a great and safe month!
Mrs. Janice and Mrs. d'Gail



Hello From The Jamin Babies

We have many lively boys again! Matthew F. and Robert S. have joined our Jamin Babies!

Our Thanksgiving Luncheon was a huge success!

Thank you to all parents who came!

As you know we had a pretty nasty virus, but everyone is back! All the toys and room were disinfected, so hopefully we will stay well through the holidays.

Christmas is just around the corner and we have lots of plans! Jacob M., Michaela M., Tiffany J., and Alex M. will be walking soon! Hunter B., Matthew F., and Robert S. are standing. Dawson M. is crawling and everyone keeps us very busy!

Happy Holidays!

Thanks,

Mrs. Freda, Ms. Nedra, and Ms. Cathy

Hello From the Busy Bees

We would like to thank all of the parents who came and ate lunch with us for Thanksgiving. It was a huge success! It couldn't have been done without you. We would like to welcome Kayla to the Busy Bees hive. She has adjusted really well and is learning our routine. One of our bees is turning two! Happy Birthday Zachary!

In November, we taught our tots to say "thank you"! They have done a great job. It is precious hearing them say it!

This month we will encourage them to say please. They will also be learning to sing Jingle Bells. We have many more fun activities planned. Remember to check your child's folder daily. Feel free to call or stop by anytime. We love visitors.

Ms. Amanda and Mrs. Sybil

HELLO FROM THE ROARING ROCKETS

We would like to start off by giving all the parents and staff a big thanks for all the work they put into our Thanksgiving dinner. It was a huge success!

Our active two's continue to stay active during the winter months, so please remember to bring coats, hats, and gloves. We will be going outdoors daily weather permitting. We hope that everyone has a safe and happy holiday weekend. We are looking forward to the month of December. We have some new and exciting crafts for the children to do. Again, thanks for all your help and cooperation!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Donna and Ms. Ann



NEWS FROM THE TERRIFIC TODDLERS

We had a fun month in November! Especially at our Thanksgiving lunch. Thank you parents for coming and enjoying that with us! Happy Birthday to Sean B. on December 6th and Ms. Melissa on the 19th! Our toddlers love going outside more than anything, so please remember to bring a coats, hats, and mittens. We will continue to go outside daily, weather permitting. (If it's below freezing, we will opt for the multi-purpose room!) We look forward to talking about winter weather this month and introducing the children to new and exciting concepts. Hopefully Mother Nature will cooperate and we will be able to test some snow! Please let us know if you have any wonderful winter scenes or pictures that you could share with us! Also please share with us any family traditions that you celebrate this time of year. Please be careful if you are traveling this holiday season!
Ms. Trevor and Ms. Melissa

Explorer News

With November being the month for thankfulness we would like to thank our parents for being so kind and considerate. We both appreciate you more than we can express. Our annual thanksgiving dinner

was terrific! The kids did exceptional and were very calm when the parents left. They were fantastic. We had a couple turn 3 years old this month. A late Happy Birthday goes to Sean on November 3rd and Elizabeth on November 11th. Our Holiday Program will be December 12th at 6:15pm. Our children will be singing the chorus of Jingle Bells and Twinkle, Twinkle Christmas Star. It should be a treat for all, so have your family visit. We will also have a list out soon for our holiday party December 13th at 2:45pm. Please remember to check our white board for any other messages or changes. Also, if you ever have a question, please remember that our gate is always open and that goes for our phone as well.

Twofully Yours,
Ms. Melody and Ms. Sandra

Teddy Bear News

Where does the time go? We can't believe that December is already here. Our Holiday Program is also sneaking up on us. Thank you for practicing the songs at home with your children; it shows when we sing them during the day. The program has been rescheduled for Thursday, December 12th. Please have your children there by 6:00pm so we can get ready. This month we will be learning about community helpers, gingerbread, winter, and music. We will be taking a field trip to Santa's Village at constitution village on Wednesday December 18th. Watch for more information as the time nears. Please make sure that your child has weather appropriate clothes and a jacket. The weather is getting colder and we won't be able to go out as much as we'd like, but as long as it's not raining outside, we like to take the children out, if even for a short walk. Thanks for all you do! Have a great month and a safe holiday!

Ms. Sharron and Mrs. Whitney

Hello from the Dinosaurs

December is a time of festive colors. Red, green, white, blue, silver, and gold. It is a time of sights

that dazzle the eyes. Bright lights, glowing candles, ribbons and bows, beautiful presents, holly berries and evergreen branches, and smiling faces. It's a time of bells ringing, carolers singing and children laughing with excitement. It is also a time of seasonal scents. Baked goodies, spices in the kitchen, evergreen and pine throughout the house, hot beverages in warm mugs, burning candles on windowsills and tables, and family gatherings. At this time of year we are always excited and full of wonder and anticipation. This month we have lots of activities and occasions to enjoy. We will celebrate two 5 year old birthdays this month. Thomas D. on the 15th and Ryan R. on the 18th. We will begin the month with shopping at the MCDC Santa Store on Dec. 5th. The holiday program will be held on Dec. 12th at 6:15pm in the Morris Auditorium. The rehearsal for this program will be Dec. 9th at 9:00am. Our holiday party will be held on Dec. 13th at 2:45pm. The children are to bring a gift wrapped book to exchange with a friend in the classroom. We will have a field trip to Santa's Village and lunch at McDonald's on Governor's Drive on Dec 16th. We have other activities planned for this month and details will be announced in the daily news notebook as they come up.

We would like to thank all the parents who participated in last months' activities! Whether you brought in things for special activities, went on the field trip with us, brought covered dishes for Thanksgiving lunch, came and ate Thanksgiving lunch or whatever you may have done. We really appreciate your support.

As you celebrate the holidays please remember Mrs. Lynn and keep her in your thoughts as she goes through her treatments.

We hope that you will have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. If you will be traveling during the holidays, we hope that you will travel safe!

Happy Holidays!
Mrs. Jennifer and Ms. Jo
Pre-school A

News from the Discovery Ducks **November**

Can you believe that it is December already? The year has really flown by! We had lots of fun in

November learning about fruits and vegetables, colors, farm animals and turkeys! Thanks to Kevin Burks for sharing pictures from his farm and books about farm animals with our class. Thanks also to all the parents who donated items to our class. We really appreciate all that you do for us!

We have a lot of exciting things planned for this busy time of year! We will be learning about gingerbread men, our five senses, the arctic and penguins, snowmen, and winter weather. We also have a field trip planned to Santa's Village on December 10th. On December 13th we will be having our holiday party and book exchange at 2:45pm. And don't forget our holiday program on the 12th in Morris Auditorium. Keep practicing those songs!

Please make sure your child has at least 2 pairs of weather appropriate clothing and underwear.

Thanks for signing your children in and out everyday! You guys are great!

Have a wonderful fun-filled December and a Happy Holiday Season!

Kelli M. and Ms. Gouri